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Join Us in Tampa's Janus Park

Celebrate National Water Monitoring Day with USGS

Ever wonder how flood information and warnings go from the field to you? Who gathers that data and how do they do it? To celebrate the first National Water Monitoring Day **on Oct. 18**, the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) invites you to **join us from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at Janus Park** in downtown Tampa, for hands-on demonstrations of water data collection techniques. Live demonstrations will include tidal discharge measurement and ground water and surface water ultra-clean sampling techniques. Learn about the USGS real-time satellite water data network, and see a working USGS gauge. Get information and B-roll for the inevitable hurricane reporting.

The first National Water Monitoring Day celebrates the 30th anniversary of the Clean Water Act with the theme "2002 The Year of Clean Water." It coincides with the fifth annual Earth Science Week, which runs Oct. 13-19.

Janus Park is on the banks of the Hillsborough River near the Platt Street Bridge. For more information about USGS activities around our nation on National Water Monitoring Day, please visit our website: http://water.usgs.gov/monitoring_day/

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